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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has eonducted any study to identity coal mines in the country whieh are accident prone and unsafe;

(b) if so, the outcome/identification thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the government to identify such unsafe mines,location-wise and tocheck accidents in such coal mines?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR.DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the year 2004, 2005 & 2006 through accident statistics, 64, 57 & 41 mines respectively have been declared accident prone mines.

(c) Risk assessment of all mines are done and Safety Management Plans are prepared accordingly for time bound implementation. Mine safety status is deliberated Safety Committee meetings and the management of coal eompanies and workers are accordingly informed of the action to be taken. Workers are imparted training to make them aware with new technology and method of working.